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Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action mailed December 31, 2002.

The requested extension is for one month, extending the period for response from March 31, 2003 to April 30, 2003.

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I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on April 30, 2003, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner

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Enclosed is Check No. 535561 in the amount of \$110.00 for the one-month extension of time fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$72.00 fee for the four extra claims and any other fees associated with the filing submitted herewith, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1355. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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